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SUBJECT: ARRESTS OF LABOR OFFICIALS

REF: STATE 294393

1. IN PRESS RELEASE DATED DEC. 3, THE INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF FREE TRADE UNIONS (ICFTU) STATES: "NINETEEN LEADERS OF THE GAMBIA WORKERS' UNION HAVE BEEN ARRESTED FOR ORGANIZING A GENERAL STRIKE. THE UNION IS AFFILIATED TO THE ICFTU, WHICH HAS CABLED THE GAMBIAN PRESIDENT, SIR DAWDA JAWARA, TO EXPRESS SOLIDARITY WITH THE GAMBIA WORKERS AND TO APPEAL FOR "THE RELEASE OF ARRESTED LEADERS AND RESPECT FOR INTERNATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED LABOR STANDARDS." THE ICFTU HAS PASSED ON THE GWU'S APPEAL FOR SOLIDARITY ACTION TO THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN TRADE UNITY AND THE AMERICAN AFL-CIO. THE ILO HAS BEEN INFORMED."

2. SINCE MAKING THE ABOVE PROTEST, THE ICFTU HAS LEARNED THAT ALL ARRESTED UNIONISTS HAVE BEEN RELEASED ON BAIL BUT MUST STAND TRIAL (SPECIFIC CHARGES NOT KNOWN HERE), AND THAT THE TRIAL MAY BE HELD THIS WEEK. WE WILL PASS ON ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT WE RECEIVE HERE.

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